

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

ORDER

It is hereby ordered that the following amendments to the Local Rules relating to Civil Procedure, Civil Standing Orders, Magistrate Judges, Criminal Procedure, and Bankruptcy Procedure are adopted, effective December 1, 2009. These changes affect Local Rules with deadlines of fewer than eleven (11) days, and are being made in response to amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Criminal Procedure relating to the computation of time under Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(a) and Fed. R. Crim. P. 45(a), which also take effect on December 1, 2009. Under the amendments to the Federal Rules, all days, including intermediate Saturdays, Sundays, legal holidays and other days the Clerk's Office is inaccessible, will be counted for all time periods, even periods of fewer than eleven (11) days. To compensate for this new computation procedure, time periods of fewer than eleven (11) days are being increased under the Local Rules.

The amendments take effect December 1, 2009. The Local Rules being amended, with their new time periods, will read in part as follows:

I. LOCAL CIVIL RULES

Rule 7. MOTION PROCEDURES

(b) Motions for Extension of Time.

3. . . . Opposing counsel may move within seven (7) days of an order granting a motion for extension of time to have the Court set aside the order for good cause. . . .

(c) Motions for Reconsideration.

1. Motions for reconsideration shall be filed and served within fourteen (14) days of the filing of the decision or order from which such relief is sought....

(d) Reply Briefs.

... Any reply brief must be filed within fourteen (14) days of the filing of the

responsive brief to which reply is being made, as computed under Fed. R. Civ. P. 6. . . .

Rule 26. DUTY OF DISCLOSURE

(f) Parties' Planning Conference.

(1) ... Within fourteen (14) days after the conference, the participants shall jointly complete and file a report in the form prescribed by Form 26(f), which appears in the Appendix to these Rules. . . .

Rule 37. DISCOVERY DISPUTES

(d) Unless a different time is set by the Court, compliance with discovery ordered by the Court shall be made within fourteen (14) days of the filing of the Court's order.

Rule 54. TAXATION OF COSTS

(a) Procedure for Taxing Costs.

1. Any party who seeks costs in the District Court shall, within fourteen (14) days after the District Court judgment becomes final due to the expiration of the appeal period... or within fourteen (14) days after the issuance of a mandate by a federal appellate Court, file with the Clerk and serve on all other parties a verified bill of costs....

(b) **Objections to the Bill of Costs.** Any objections to the bill of costs shall be filed with the Clerk within fourteen (14) days of the filing of the bill of costs and shall specify each item to which there is an objection and the reasons for such objection. . . .

(d) **Review of the Clerk's Ruling.** Any party may, within fourteen (14) days of the entry of the Clerk's ruling, apply to the Judge before whom the case was assigned for a review of the Clerk's ruling on the bill of costs. . . . Any other party may respond to such objection within fourteen (14) days of the filing of such objection.

Rule 72.2 REVIEW OF MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S RULINGS

See Section III below on Local Rules for Magistrate Judges

Rule 77.1 ENTRY OF ORDERS AND JUDGMENTS

(a) By the Court.

3. . . . Unless the form of order, judgment, or decree is consented to in writing, or unless the Court otherwise directs, seven (7) days' notice of settlement is required. Seven (7) days' notice is required on all counter proposals. . . .

Rule 83.7 TRANSFER OF CASES TO ANOTHER DISTRICT OR UPON REMAND TO A STATE COURT

In a case ordered transferred to another District Court or remanded to the appropriate State Court, the Clerk shall mail, on the fourteenth (14th) day following the order of transfer or remand, to the Court to which the case is transferred or remanded. . . .

Rule 83.10 CIVIL PRO BONO PANEL

(b) Appointment Procedure. . . .

The attorney will have fourteen (14) days from the date of the Clerk's notice to decline the appointment. . . . totaling not more than twenty (20) days beyond the initial fourteen (14)-day period set forth above.

II. CIVIL STANDING ORDERS

STANDING ORDER ON SCHEDULING IN CIVIL CASES

2. Presumptive Filing Deadlines.

(a) ... Within fourteen (14) days thereafter, the parties shall jointly file a report on Form 26(f), which appears in the Appendix to the Local Civil Rules.

(b) ... except that a defendant may file a third-party complaint within fourteen (14) days of serving an answer, as permitted by Fed. R. Civ. P. 14(a).

STANDING ORDER ON REMOVED CASES

All parties removing actions to this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441 shall, no later than seven (7) days after filing a notice of removal, file and serve a signed statement that sets forth the following information: ...

III. LOCAL RULES FOR MAGISTRATE JUDGES

LOCAL RULE 72.2 REVIEW

(a) ...Any party wishing to object must, within fourteen (14) days after service of such order or recommended ruling on him, serve on all parties, and file with the Clerk, written objection.... ...service of the order of the Magistrate Judge or recommended ruling shall be deemed to occur no later than five (5) days after the filing of such order or ruling with the Clerk.

IV. LOCAL RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

Rule 32. DISCLOSURE OF PRESENTENCE REPORTS

(c) **Submission of Revised Presentence Report.** No later than fourteen (14) days after the deadline for counsel's objections, the Probation Officer shall submit the revised presentence report to the sentencing judge and disclose the revised presentence report to the defendant and counsel for the defendant and the government.

(o) **Sentencing Memoranda.** ...Any sentencing memorandum shall be filed no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the sentencing date, and any response to an opposing party's sentencing memorandum shall be filed no later than seven (7) days prior to the sentencing date, unless the Court has provided other deadlines for these memoranda by scheduling order. . . .

CRIMINAL APPENDIX

APPENDIX. STANDING ORDER ON DISCOVERY

(A) Disclosure by the Government. Within fourteen (14) days from the date of the arraignment, government and defense counsel shall meet, at which time the attorney for the government shall furnish copies, or allow defense counsel to inspect or listen to and record items which are impractical to copy. . . .

V. LOCAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE

LBR 6004-1. SALE OF ESTATE PROPERTY

(d) . . . (2) a public sale shall be advertised at least fourteen (14) days before the sale, although the trustee may require further advertising;

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 13th day of November, 2009.

Alvin W. Thompson
Chief U. S. District Judge

Robert N. Chatigny
U.S. District Judge

Janet Bond Arterton
U.S. District Judge

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